

1. Call to Order

David Riley, Chairman, called the regular meeting of the Des Moines County Conservation Board to order at 5:30 p.m. at the Starr's Cave Nature Center

Those Members Present: David Riley, Stacey Rector and James steer.

Those Members Absent: Cathy Ziglar and Dennis Imler

Others Present: Supervisor Beck, Amanda Delperdang, Lisbeth Hoover, Amy Holley, Patrick Moore, Chris Lee, Kim Perlstein and Joel Behne

2. Additions and Deletions to Agenda:

a. None

3. Delegations/Public Input:

a. Director Perlstein had Chris Lee, Operations Supervisor, and Amanda Delperdang, EE/PR Coordinator introduce their summer interns. Introduced were Lisbeth Hoover, Amy Holley and Patrick Moore. Lisbeth will be working with the Nature Center Staff. Amy and Patrick will be working with the Maintenance and Operations Staff. The board welcomed them to DMC Conservation.

b. Project Updates 10 a. was moved up to 3 b. Operations Supervisor Report.

- Youth Jamboree. Over 400 kids attended. Great turnout and even the weather cooperated.
- Summer Interns: Introduced as indicated above.
- Cabin Work. Kevin Moore has ordered and received materials to start the process.
- Campground work to begin next week. Storm Water Runoff Permit has been secured and published in the local newspapers as required. Bids have been sent out for Water, Electric and are awaiting their return.
- DMC Conservation in cooperation with 4-H Shooting Sports club and the Aldo Leopold Chapter of PF will be hosting "Young Guns" shooting events at the Gahn Wildlife Refuge each Wednesday from July 11 through August 1st from 6 to 8 pm. Participants will learn more about conservation, shooting sports and outdoor skills. More information is available on our website. www.dmcconservation.com

4. Approval of Minutes:

#36 Motion by Stacey Rector, seconded by Jim Steer, to approve the minutes of the May 02, 2012 board meeting. Motion passed unanimously by all members present.

6. Approval of Report of Activities for May 2012:

#37 a. Motion by Jim Steer, seconded by Stacey Rector, to approve the reports of activity for May 2012. Motion passed unanimously by all members present.

7. Approval of Claims for May 2012:

#38 a. Motion by Stacey Rector, seconded by Jim Steer, to approve the claims for May 2012. Motion passed unanimously by all members present.

8. Acceptance of Donations:

- a. Harry & Virginia Murray Foundation c/o Terri Dowell U.S. Bank. \$100,000.00, Big Hollow Lake Project.
- b. Corporate Medical Services. \$300.00 for the Big Hollow Wilderness Run.
- c. Burlington Rotary. \$500.00 Aldo Leopold Outdoor Classroom.
- d. David Riley. \$1,000 Big Hollow.
- e. Jim & Judy Hilkin, \$200.00 for the Witte Observatory.
- f. David & Vicki Philabaum, \$200.00 for the Witte Observatory.

- g. Beautiful Burlington - Jim Walker. \$500.00 for Earth Day - Flowers for Planters.
- h. J & M Displays and Tim Zurmuehlen for the Start/Finish Fireworks at the Take a "KID" Crappie Fishing Tournament.
- i. William R. Smith/Two Rivers Bank. \$200.00 for Take a "KID" Crappie Fishing Tournament.
- j. Mike Jarvis. Value: \$50.00 total.
 - 1 - 1999/2000 Ducks Unlimited Print of the Year "Three for the Taking".
 - 1 - 2000/2001 Ducks Unlimited Print of the Year "Morning till Night".
 - 1 - 2006/2007 Ducks Unlimited Print of the Year "Reflection".
 - 1 - Wooden "Wood Duck" box.
- k. James Wilt. \$200.00 for the Witte Observatory.
- l. Acorn Naturalists. (Jennifer) Skunk Puppet & Beaver Puppet. Total value \$41.90.

9. Committee Reports:

- a. **Shooting Range:** Jim Steer. None.
- b. **Flint River Trails:** Director Perlstein. Trails committee will be meeting, once again, with the Preserves Board in July to re-examine the possibility of locating a portion of the trail through SCP&P.
MOA has been signed by all parties. WAPSI Valley Archeological is working on displays and the materials needed to get moving on trail construction by July 01, 2012.
- c. **Observatory:** Ziglar: No report.
- d. **REAP:** Riley: No report.

10. Project Updates:

- a. Operations Supervisor: Chris Lee reported: Moved up to 3b. Due to being in the process of teaching a Hunter Education Program.

11. Old Business:

- a. 50th Anniversary update: Director Perlstein reported on the status of the Big Hollow Fundraiser: The May Wildlife Walk in Luckenbill Woods. Katherine reported having a good attendance at Luckenbill Woods.

Take a "KID" Crappie Fishing Tournament will be held on May 20th.

Joel reported that \$40.00 was raised on both team/big fish entries. \$550 from Sponsors. \$70.00 placed into the Donation Jar for a total of \$1,060. After paying cash prizes in the amount of \$193.00 Partners for Conservation raised \$867 for the BH Lake Project. In all there were 15 teams, 25 kids and 21 adults fishing. 46 fishermen/women took to Big Hollow Lake for this first event.

Open House June 2. All staff will be working the event and Director Perlstein is looking forward to a great turnout and fair weather for the event.

12. New Business:

- a. Imler Resignation
The board thanked Dennis Imler for serving on the board and for his involvement as both a member and Chair.
- #39 Motion by Jim Steer, seconded by Stacey Rector, to approve the resignation from David Imler. Motion passed unanimously by all members present.
- b. Request for Use of Alcohol, Zurmuehlen.
- #40 Motion by Stacey Rector, seconded by Jim Steer, to approve the use of Beer and Wine at SCNC on June 09th. Motion passed unanimously by all members present.

13. Informational Items/Correspondence/Board Comments:

- a. July 4th would be the normally scheduled meeting date for July. Due to the Holiday the meeting date of July 11th was chosen as the next board meeting date.

Director will be in Denver, CO at a PHC conference from June 18 thru the 20th. Director will be at the District V meeting on the 21st.

Director will be on vacation from June 25 thru 29th.

14. Adjournment:

- #39** a. A motion by Jim Steer, seconded by Stacey Rector, to adjourn the June 06, 2012 board meeting. Motion passed unanimously by all members present. Meeting adjourned at 5:55 p.m. Motion passed unanimously by all members present.

David Riley, Chair

Cathy Ziglar, Secretary/Treasurer